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Date: April 11, 2017
To: Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Providers
From: Tina Patterson, VFC Program Coordinator
Re: 2017 VFC Program Re-enrollment

On behalf of the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH), thank you for your participation in the Iowa Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program. The VFC Program guidelines require providers to re-enroll annually. As part of the annual re-enrollment process, providers need to complete the Provider Enrollment Form and the VFC Patient Activity Chart.

Re-Enrollment

Re-enrollment will be completed through the Immunization Registry Information System (IRIS) beginning on April 15, 2017. Directions for completing re-enrollment can be found [here](#). These step-by-step instructions will assist with your completion of the VFC Program's Provider Enrollment Form.

Required Provider Training

As part of re-enrollment, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) require participating VFC program providers (primary vaccine coordinator and backup vaccine coordinator) to complete annual training. Completion of the CDC web-based modules, *You Call the Shots*, will satisfy this training requirement. The training is available at <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.html>. The two modules listed below are required prior to completing the re-enrollment process:

1. [Vaccine Storage and Handling-Jan 2017](#)
2. [Vaccines for Children \(VFC\)-Jan 2017](#)

Continuing education credit and certificates of completion are available through the CDC upon completion of the modules.

Please complete the VFC re-enrollment process and required trainings by April 30, 2017. Failure to complete the re-enrollment process by the due date will result in suspension from the VFC Program, and providers will not be able to place vaccine orders in IRIS.

If you have questions regarding the VFC Program re-enrollment process, contact Tina Patterson at tina.patterson@idph.iowa.gov or 1-800-831-6293, ext. 4.